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### DEATH.

**STEVENS**—At her home, No. 187 South Division street, Mrs. Carrie A. Stevens, 60 years of age, died yesterday afternoon at 2:30.

**SCHENKHOFF**—At his residence on West Bridge street, January 5, at 10 o'clock, a man, 50 years of age, died.

**PRATT**—At the family residence, No. 19 Sprague street, Mrs. Ellen Maria Pratt, aged 60 years, died yesterday afternoon at 4:30. The remains will be taken to Lowell for interment.

Cherryman & Bowen, funeral directors, No. 25 Fountain street.

### BORNE TO HIS GRAVE.

**Jacob Barth Buried**—The Harvest of Death in the City.

The funeral of the late Jacob Barth was held under the auspices of Valley City Lodge F. & A. M., from his late residence on Sheldon street yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The house could not contain the large number of sorrowing friends who had gathered to pay their respects to one whom they all admired. The ceremony was conducted by Rabbi Jacobson of the Jewish Synagogue. After reading the ninth psalm the Rabbi delivered an eloquent eulogy upon the life and character of the deceased. The casket was in the front room covered with floral tributes of beauty in profusion. Mrs. Andrew Fyfe sang very impressively the hymn "One Sweetly Solitary Thought." At the close of the ceremony the remains were followed to their last resting place by friends and members of the following orders of which Mr. Barth was an esteemed member: The Order of the Eastern Star, Valley City Lodge F. & A. M., I. O. O. F. and the Royal Arcanum. At the grave masonic ceremonies were observed, at the close of which the I. O. O. F. burial rites were read. The funeral was also attended by several members of the masonic fraternity of Muskegon.

### Mrs. J. D. Jennings.

The funeral of Mrs. John D. Jennings who died Wednesday at the Masonic home will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock under the auspices of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which she was a member. The ceremony will take place in the lodge room in the McMullen block.

### Peter Schmidt.

Peter Schmidt died yesterday morning at his residence at No. 198 Straight street, aged 73 years. Mr. Schmidt was an old resident of this city having moved here 57 years ago. He had been in the grocery business on the west side for twenty-four years. The deceased leaves a widow and six adult children.

### William Peaslee.

William Peaslee, the first president of the village of Kent, died in Napa, California, on Christmas day. He took an active part in organizing the village in 1848. He was a blacksmith and machinist and furnished Grand Rapids with the first engine ever owned by the corporation. Mr. Peaslee went to California in 1852, where he resided up to his death. He had charge of a government dredging boat on the coast of Florida during the Seminole war.

### Mrs. C. E. Stevens.

Mrs. Carrie E. Stevens died yesterday morning at her residence, No. 1007 South Division street, and the funeral will be held from her late home this afternoon at 2:30. The shock produced by the tragic death of her sister, Miss Bertha Quail, sometime ago, left the deceased in a weakened condition and her constitution gradually weakened until death resulted. The remains will be sent to Grand Lodge for burial.

### CLEANED ON THE MARKET.

Produce is steady—Meats becoming scarce and prices advance.

Onions are a little firmer at 70 cents a bushel.

Potatoes are easy with little inquiry at 25 cents a bushel.

Flour has declined 10 cents a hundred to consumers. The quotations are \$2.50 and \$3.10 a hundred.

Apples are a little scarce and prices firmer at \$2.25 a barrel and \$1.00 a bushel for choice grocery stock.

Butter and eggs were steady with a fair supply in the market. Quotations were firm at 20 and 21 cents for both.

Hay is firm at old quotations viz: \$15 and \$16 a ton for timothy loose from the wagon and \$13 and \$14 for clover.

The grain market yesterday was easy at former quotations. Wheat remained at 88 cents, corn 40, oats 33 and buckwheat 45 cents a bushel.

Feed is firm at quotations published for the last few days. The range is \$23 and \$21 a ton for ground feed; \$20 for meal and middlings, \$18 for bran, and \$19 for ships and screenings.

Meats are stronger and the supply is light. Quotations yesterday ruled higher all around. Pork was scarce at \$4.75 a hundred; lamb advanced to 7 and 8 cents a pound and fowls to 9 cents. Chickens went up to 11 cents and turkeys and ducks were placed at 12 cents.

### LATEST THING IN FURNITURE.

A New Stock Company Organize for Manufacturing.

The Mueller & Slack Furniture company organized yesterday by filing articles of incorporation with the county clerk. The capital stock is placed at \$25,000. The stockholders are John Frederick Mueller, Anthony Slack, James Steel, James D. Gallagher, Lee M. Hutchins and Hugh E. Wilson. Part of those associated were formerly employees of the Grand Rapids Furniture company which failed several months ago. Mueller and Slack having been salesmen on the road.

### JUMPED HIS BOARD BILL.

A Sick Artist Leaves His Friend in the Lurch.

"Where is J. Virgil Clark?" is a question that Landford Rice of the Bridge street house would like to have answered satisfactorily. Clark held down

a chair in the hotel office for three weeks, including the holidays, doing fancy card work, while Virgil, Murphy of this city was out on his feet. Orders came in thick and fast and Clark did a lucrative business. He slipped the latch into his pocket and on December 4 left Landford Rice and Murphy without paying his board bill or solicitor's fee. Murphy says his share should have been \$20.

### Grip And Its Prey.

Secretary C. S. Ward of the Y. M. C. A. has received a card from Secretary C. C. Swift of Kalamazoo stating that the conference at Three Rivers will have to be abandoned on account of the great prevalence of the grip in that place. Nearly every house in the city has one or more cases of sickness.

Deputy United States Marshal Brewster has made another important arrest. He succeeded in arresting the progress of a severe attack of the grip and he was in his office yesterday for the first time in several days.

F. A. Ticelet of No. 371 Third street is having a tussle with the grip. Assistant City Attorney Carroll is ill at his residence.

Secretary Stein of the board of education is a sick man.

Judge Burlingame has a sort of combination snuff in which quinine, sulphur, etc., are mixed and it is believed to be a sure preventative of the grip.

### Annual Statement.

The Belknap Wagon and Sleigh company has filed its annual statement as follows: Capital stock, \$50,000; paid in, \$40,500; real estate, \$20,574.97; personal, \$42,817.77; debts, \$33,910.81; credits, \$34,469.66. The stock is divided as follows: C. E. Belknap, 239 shares; Walter D. Stevens, 100; James D. Robinson, 240; Charles H. Shaffer, 200; Julia E. Shaffer, 80; H. P. Belknap, 76; J. E. Belknap, 4.

### That New Fire Ladder.

The new hook and ladder truck that is being manufactured by the Michigan Fire Ladder and Truck company at Oakdale Park will be placed in No. 4 engine house next week. This will be the finest thing of the kind ever placed in the fire department. The ladders are ninety feet in length, constructed in sections. The old ladder of No. 4 will be placed at engine house No. 1.

### Their January Session.

The January session of the board of supervisors will begin next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Hamish's hall on Waterloo street. One of the matters to be considered by the board will be the kind of material from which to construct the walk surrounding the new county court house. Bills and accounts against the county must be presented on Tuesday.

### Filed a Chattel Mortgage.

The West Michigan Park association filed a chattel mortgage with the city clerk yesterday for \$1,663.84. The mortgage is given to Heman N. Moore as trustee and it covers all the property and hotel appliances at Ottawa Beach. Two mortgages have precedence over the above, one to John H. Hoskin as trustee for \$3,495.71 and one for \$3,727.45 to Henry Spring.

### Started a New Industry.

Enos Putnam, Willard Barnhart, Darwin D. Cody, Oscar A. Ball and Iral C. Smith filed articles of association with the county clerk yesterday. The gentlemen mentioned have started the Birch Point Resort company, with a capital stock of \$10,000, \$5,000 of which is paid in. The resort is located on Bear lake, nine miles south of Petoskey.

### Put Up the Cash.

At the annual meeting of the Fountain street reformed church society subscriptions were pledged for general expenses amounting to \$1200. This amount came from thirty-nine members who were present. The society congratulates itself on being in a prosperous condition although it has not yet procured a pastor.

### Sacred Church Concert.

The congregation of the Holland Unitarian church will give a sacred concert next Sunday evening. The choir of the church will be assisted by Mrs. Bowker, pianist; Mrs. Andrew Fyfe, soprano; Andrew Fyfe, bass; and Prof. J. Roommeester, violinist, late of the Emma Juch opera company. The program will consist of twelve numbers.

### Figuring on a Write Up.

Secretary W. H. Kinsey of the improvement board, has returned from his recent trip to Fort Wayne, Ind., and was in his office yesterday. The board is negotiating with such periodicals as Harper's Weekly, Frank Leslie's Weekly, The Century, etc., for illustrations of Grand Rapids' business interests as a means of advertising the city.

### Froze His Hand.

Charles Longgood, while intoxicated last night, fell down in an alley and injured his wrist. He was so helpless that he could not raise himself, and before assistance arrived he had frozen his hand. He was taken to police headquarters and City Physician Kelly was summoned to care for him.

### Who Will Help Them?

The U. R. A. Home, Truant Officer Fee, or the Woman's Home and Hospital will gladly receive donations of clothing of all assortments to be distributed among the poor of the city. There are many of the worthy poor who would be glad to receive your cast off clothing.

### Wealthy Avenue Bridge.

The January session of the county supervisors will open next Monday. Among the petitions to be laid before the board will be that of the city for the building of Wealthy avenue bridge. It will be presented by the city attorney.

### Foresters' Annual Postponed.

The annual meetings of Lyon and Valley City Courts of the Foresters have been postponed because their hall over Friedrich's music is not yet fit for occupancy.

### Old and Destitute.

Sarah Hamilton, an old lady in destitute circumstances applied to the police station yesterday for help. She was taken to the county superintendent's of the poor, where her immediate wants were supplied.

### Jobs for the Coroner.

The street railway conductors say that unless coasting across Ottawa street is prevented the electric cars will make head of some of the coasters.

## RED TAPE AT FAULT

Mr. Meech Tells How the Law Works a Hardship

WHEN A PAUPER IS A PAUPER

Both City and County Shift Responsibility—Dr. Smith Says Mr. Kruse Swore—Mayor Uhl.

"The poor laws need a complete revision," said County Director of the Poor Meech yesterday. "They are not definite enough in many cases. Under the present poor law it requires a year for a person to gain a settlement, while a pauper never can acquire it. But the laws do not define exactly what a pauper is. Of course, a person who lives in an almshouse or charitable home is a pauper, but the lawyers disagree on the question of whether those who receive temporary or partial support should be called paupers or not. The prosecuting attorney says that if they are helped for a time that they are not paupers, and therefore can gain a settlement, while the city attorney takes the opposite view. This difference of opinion causes us considerable trouble. For instance, we have a case on hand just now something like this. We were called on to help a woman who had two sick children.

"As soon as the children got better the woman went to work and supported them herself for awhile. Again the children were taken ill and again we helped her until the children were better and she resumed work. A short time ago she applied to us for the third time, but as her year's residence in the city had passed, since she had been to us before, we decided that she had passed out of our jurisdiction—had gained a settlement in the city—and so we turned her over to Mr. Kruse for help. He refused to give it, saying she was our charge. We say that the temporary aid we gave her did not make her a pauper, and therefore she was not our charge. The case is not an infrequent one, and it should be decided by the courts. In the meantime the woman does not get any help from either of us, and it isn't right that the poor should suffer because of some quirk in the law."

Says Kruse Swore. Dr. Smith, who attended the girl, Charlotte Handly, whose untimely story was told in the Telegram-Herald, December 22, called at THE HERALD office yesterday and made the following statement: "When I went to see the girl at the house of Mr. Sawtelle, I found the family evidently in very poor circumstances, and entirely without wood. I bought a load of wood and had it sent there, and then I went to see Mr. Kruse about doing something for the Sawtelle family. He said: 'I'll be damned if I'll do anything more for those people. I have supported them for two years, and I sent them a load of wood yesterday. I won't do any more.' Considering that I had sent them a load of wood that very day myself I couldn't understand what had become of the wood he had sent the day before. I questioned Mrs. Sawtelle about it, and she says she never received the wood, and that she had not been supported by the city. I know of a great many poor people who report ill-treatment from Mr. Kruse."

### Scolded by the Mayor.

A reporter for THE HERALD was sent to interview Mayor Uhl on the Kruse matter, and the following conversation ensued:

"Have you anything to say about the city director of the poor matter?"

"No."

"You don't intend to do anything about it?"

"I didn't say that."

"Then am I to understand that you don't care to say anything about it at present?"

"Yes."

"Good afternoon."

The reporter left with a new sense of the magnitude of the dignity and importance attached to the office of mayor of Grand Rapids.

### TAMING THE SPARKS.

Interesting Experiments by the Electro-mechanics.

There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Electromechanics society last night. The subject under consideration was static electricity as a motive producer. Mr. Carman carefully explained the nature and workings of the fictional, Holtz, Toepfer-Holtz and Toepfer-Voss machines. He then conducted several experiments showing the transformation of difference of potential into heat, light and sound. Mr. Carman also performed an experiment that has never been performed in Michigan before, and perhaps not in this country. It was discovered by Atkinson, the great German authority on static electricity. By means of copper wires connecting a small Toepfer-Holtz machine to a larger one, the smaller machine was operated by the action of other, and by the action of this small pulley was run, thus changing the potential difference of the first machine into mechanical motion.

Several other experiments were performed with the aid of the Holtz tubes. Electricity was generated also by means of a thermopile. At the next meeting the subject of static electricity with reference to lightning, the aurora borealis and other terrestrial electrical phenomena will be discussed. The other topics of the evening will be magnets.

### Their Wedding Reception.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Pratt, who were married one week ago, held a very pleasant reception at their residence, No. 25 Beech avenue, last evening. About sixty of their friends were present and many beautiful gifts were presented to the host and hostess. Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all who were present.

### BOYS OF ST. ANDREW'S.

The Pupils of the Parochial School Give an Entertainment.

One of the most pleasing school entertainments of the season was given by the boys of St. Andrew's last evening in the school building on Sheldon street. The manner in which each number was rendered showed that careful work had been done in training the participants, making the entertainment a success in every respect. The exercises consisted of twenty numbers, many of them deserving of special mention. Recitations, dialogues, choruses and instrumental music were the principal features of the program. "Tearing On the Old Camp Ground" was sung by a

chorus, and the characters were represented by two tenors, soprano and guards in uniform. A display with dumb bells by twenty small boys was highly complimented. Their movements were in unison and the display was a pleasing and interesting presentation. The entertainment concluded with a pretty tableau entitled "Vision of the Saints." The room was crowded with spectators and all appeared to be highly entertained.

### City News in Brief.

The bank clearings for yesterday were \$129,754.40, as compared with \$139,409.83 on the corresponding day of last year, a decrease of \$9,655.43.

There is an energetic young gentleman at the Woman's home and hospital who will accept a home with some good family.

J. A. S. Verdier, cashier of the Kent county savings bank, reports \$399,183.19 on hand belonging to the city at the opening of the year 1892, with interest due for the month of December of \$918.42.

Prof. G. A. Dillingham and family of No. 222 Terrace avenue have returned from the southern part of the state, where they have been visiting friends.

Ben J. Ott of Milwaukee, formerly with the G. & I. railroad, spent the holidays with his parents at No. 508 South Division street.

Robert E. Barber, who has been spending the holiday vacation in the city, left Monday to return to his studies at the state normal.

### Clubs and Societies.

The Solingen fencing club will meet next Saturday evening, January 9, at the home of their teacher, Frank J. Fisher, No. 324 North Lonia street. Members please take notice.

The ladies of the Macabees will give their first ball at Kennedy's hall, Wednesday evening, January 13. All Sir Knights and friends will be welcomed.

Franklin lodge of A. O. U. W., will give a pedro party at No. 617 South Division street, Friday evening.

Champion post, G. A. R., will hold a public installation of officers Friday night.

A number of Grand Rapids people attended the opening of the Detroit Catholic club house last evening.

The Independent Order of Foresters will give a pedro party Saturday evening at their hall over Friedrich's music store. The loss by Wednesday's fire has been satisfactorily adjusted.

### West Side Postal Service.

The business of the west side postal station during the past six months is reported as follows: Money orders issued, 974; value, \$7,301.71; postal notes issued, 509; value, \$879.35; money orders paid, 23; value, \$702.25; postal notes paid, 110; value, \$209.68; stamps sold, \$548.3; registered letters issued, 184.

### Taken Up His Abode.

Albert Stickley of Stickley Bros' furniture and chair factory has arrived in this city to make it his permanent home, and the factory will soon be in operation. The plant of the firm was removed to this city from Birmingham, N. Y., as the location is the most desirable one for their business.

### Offers a Percentage.

Miss Emmons, who has a number of oil paintings on exhibition at Lemon's art store, offers to donate a percentage of their proceeds if the ladies of the children's Home society and the Humane society will assist her in disposing of them by selling tickets.

### Transferred to This City.

Blodgett & Byrne's office at Muskegon has been removed to this city. The old manager of the firm, E. W. Gray, spends his time during week days here and returns to Muskegon on Saturday evenings to remain over Sunday with his family.

### Marriage Licenses.

The following is a list of the marriage licenses issued since last published, with the names, residences (when outside the city) and ages of the parties:

Age. James Jasperse and Katie Van Kaev. 20-20  
Adolph Vinkney and Goldie Goldman. 21-19  
Elmer E. Sayles, Lowell and Bertha Denny. 24-19

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**RHEUMATISM.** Jan. 17, 1888. GEORGE C. OSBORN & CO., through Dr. J. C. Smith, wrote: "MR. LEWIS DENNIS, 126 Moody St., desires to say: 'ST. JACOBS OIL' a box of Grand Rapids, Mass., came to his home in 1887, while on crutches, having been hurt while working for two months. Mr. Dennis gave him St. Jacobs Oil to rub it in. Six days he had no use for his crutches and went home cured without pain. Lowell, Mass., July 9, 1887. 'The crutches my CARLIN ROBINSON owned by St. Jacobs Oil in 1887, has remained cured. The young man has been and is now at work every day as usual labor.' DR. GEORGE C. OSBORN.

**LAMEBACK.** Aberdeen, S. Dak., Sept. 25, 1887. Suffered several years with chronic attack in the back; was given up by doctors. Two bottles of St. Jacobs Oil cured me. HERMAN SCHWARTZ.

**NEURALGIA.** Bethany, Mo., Aug. 6, 1888. Suffered for years with neuralgia, but was finally cured by St. Jacobs Oil. T. B. SHERRILL.

**SPRAINS.** Constantine, Mich., Feb. 15, 1887. "Was troubled 30 years with pains in the back from strains in bed for weeks at a time; no relief from other remedies. About 8 years ago I bought St. Jacobs Oil and made about 14 applications; have been well and strong ever since. Have done all kinds of work and can lift as much as ever. No return of pain in years." A. M. HARRICK.

**BRUISES.** 209 Holbrook St., Baltimore, Md., Jan. 24, 1890. I fell down the back stairs of my residence in the district, and was bruised badly in my hip and side; suffered severely. St. Jacobs Oil completely cured me. WM. C. HARDEN, Member of State Legislature.

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